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NORTHERN VIRGINIA
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
February 7, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Sue Lowry, Bruce Jennings, Linda Muniz

Members Absent: Rob Jones, Mary Grady-Griffith

Advocate Present: Deb Lochart, Regional Advocate

Guests Present: Teresa Barrett, Candidate for NOVA LHRC Membership
Teresa Proseus, Candidate for NOVA LHRC Membership

Call to Order:

The Meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

Introductions:

Sue introduced Ms. Barrett and Ms. Proseus to the Committee. These individuals were referred as possible NOVA LHRC members by Mr. Steve Crow. Both individuals relayed their background information, and Deb Lochart escorted Ms. Proseus out of the Conference Room so that Committee members could proceed with the interview process for Ms. Barrett. After the Committee completed the interview with Ms. Barrett, she was asked to leave the room. After discussion regarding Ms. Barrett's presentation to the Committee, the motion was made, seconded and adopted to accept Ms. Barrett as a member of the Northern Virginia Regional LHRC Committee. Ms. Proseus then joined the Committee for her interview. After the interview was completed, Ms. Proseus left the room. After discussion regarding Ms. Proseus' presentation, the motion was made, seconded and adopted to accept Ms. Proseus as a member of the Northern Virginia Regional LHRC Committee. Deb escorted the awaiting members back into the Conference Room where they joined the Committee at the invitation of the Chairman. Sue informed the awaiting members that paperwork must first be authorized by the SHRC before final approval of any member is confirmed. She obtained their e-mails stating that she will contact them once their membership has been officially authorized.

Minutes:

The November 1, 2010 DRAFT minutes were reviewed by the Committee. Since the Committee had no recommendations for change, the motion was made, seconded and adopted to accept the November 1, 2010 minutes as written to be Final. Linda stated that she will assure that these minutes are posted on the web-site.

Budget:

Sue reported that the current NOVA LHRC account balance is \$2,374.49, and that this committee is not in need of additional funds at this time.

Advocate's Report:

Deb reported on the implementation of recent SHRC decisions regarding the new LHRC structure. Deb stated that while there are numerous system changes, the Northern Virginia LHRC is on target with the new system. Deb asked that Committee members be sure to thoroughly read the packet she distributed, paying particular attention to the Implementation Memo from Christina Delzingaro, SHRC Chairperson. Deb asked the Committee to review the documents and if there are any questions to please forward them on to Sue with a copy to Deb. Deb will forward the questions on to the SHRC for response.

It was determined that the Providers would be invited to the May 2, 2011 Northern Virginia Regional LHRC Meeting to review the new structure and Cooperative Agreement. Deb agreed to take the lead and send via e-mail all documents to the Providers, asking them to read the documents and to be prepared to come to the May 2 meeting to discuss the new structure and how it will affect Providers. Linda will arrange with the NVTC Training Department to reserve one of the rooms in Building 4 to accommodate attendees at the May 2 meeting.

Old Business:

Sue reported that there are currently approximately 30 Providers.

New Business:

Providers will be required to complete the new Cooperative Agreement at the May 2 meeting. Deb and Linda will assure copies of the new Agreement are made available for the Providers to sign at the May meeting. Those Agreements will then be copied, with the original Agreement going to Sue and a copy to the Provider.

Elections for NOVA Regional LHRC Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary will need to be held at the May 2, 2011 meeting.

Deb reviewed the recent merger by Residential Youth Services to Community Residences, Incorporated. The Residential Youth Services' Executive Director has been incarcerated for embezzlement and Medicaid Fraud.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2011 at the NVTC Building 4 Training Department.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, it was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Linda J. Muniz, Secretary
NOVA Regional LHRC

Date

Susan R. Lowry, Chair
NOVA Regional LHRC

Date

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